

Application No.: 10/796,233

Docket No.: OSTEONICS 3.0-305 DIV

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for his indication that claims 1-20 are allowed. The Examiner objected to claim 21 as failing to further limit independent claim 1. Applicant has canceled claim 21 and therefore believe that the application is in condition for allowance.

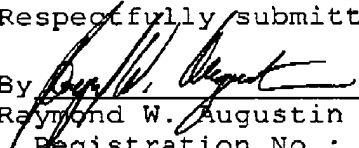
In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone Applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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Respectfully submitted,

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